

# CITY OF HAYWARD AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE

06/06/00

AGENDA ITEM

WORK SESSION ITEM

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TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

City Manager

SUBJECT:

2000-2001 Budget Work Session

#### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council review and comment on this report.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Last year the City Council implemented a two-year budget with several objectives in mind. One objective was to extend the planning process over a two-year period. In addition, Council anticipated that significant operating efficiencies would be gained by developing a two-year plan. The approach envisioned that Departments would address only significant changes for the second year. For example, if a revenue source were going to be substantially less than projected, then adjustments would be presented to Council. Further, if Council were to approve a new program or objective, then that action would not necessitate issuing a new budget document. Instead any changes authorized by Council would become an addendum to the two-year budget document.

Staff believes that, overall, the two-year budget has been successful. Considerable time and effort went into the development of the two-year budget by both staff and Council. Clearly, taking a "longer-term look" has benefited the budget process. As a result a considerable amount of resources have been saved by not having to develop a traditional budget for 2000-2001. For example, staff estimates that the City has saved approximately 6,200 hours, which equates to almost 3 full-time employees, by not having to prepare a full budget in the second year. This figure is based on approximations made by the departments and also includes estimated hours Council and staff devote to budget preparation, as well as various groups' budget review meetings.

As was discussed with Council at the time the two-year budget was adopted, Council must formally adopt the second year as required by the City Charter and to comply with certain grant requirements. In addition, staff indicated that only significant adjustments would be brought to Council for approval for the second year. Based on these guidelines staff will be requesting that Council formally adopt the Proposed Budget 2000-2001 as previously presented, with certain adjustments. The adjustments are discussed below.

#### **General Fund**

There are two attachments to this report. Attachment A presents revenue and expenditure information for the General Fund. Attachment B presents a summary of recommended budget adjustments for 2000-2001. With respect to Attachment A, the first column presents the 1999-2000 Budget as originally adopted by Council, including any adjustments authorized by Council during the year, but updated to reflect staff's most recent revenue estimates. The second column consists of the 2000-2001 Proposed budget as approved by Council in the 1999-2001 Operating Budget. The third column is the 2000-2001 Recommended Budget. This is the budget which staff is recommending to Council for formal adoption for 2000-2001. The 2000-2001 Recommended Budget reflects certain changes with regard to revenues and expenditures.

Before discussing the specific changes, it may be useful to give an overview of estimated results for the current year as well as the new one. For 1999-2000 the news continues to be good. Revenues and Transfers to the General Fund are estimated to be \$76.2 million. Expenditures and Transfers Out for the year are estimated at \$75.6 million, which results in a projected surplus of about \$600,000. Staff is recommending that this surplus, for the most part, be set side for the Equipment Management Fund.

More specifically, during the Budget Work Sessions for the 1999-2001 Budget staff noted that one area that would benefit from additional funding is the City's Equipment Management Fund. Staff further commented that if results for 1999-2000 would support additional funding, then staff would make such a recommendation. This fund, along with other City funds, saw cutbacks during the early 1990's as a result of the recession. The Equipment Management Fund was able to keep costs down during this period by deferring some equipment replacement. However, this is a short-term strategy only and at some point the deferred replacements must be "made up". Based on estimated results for 1999-2000 staff is recommending a supplemental transfer to the Equipment Management Fund of \$500,000 to accelerate equipment replacement. After setting aside a \$500,000 reserve for the Equipment Management Fund, staff estimates the undesignated fund balance will grow by about \$50,000 for 1999-2000.

The 2000-01 recommended Budget reflects the continuing healthy economy and predicts a surplus of approximately \$500,000. The increased surplus takes into account revised revenue estimates for 2000-01 and also provides for increased expenditures.

#### □ Revenues

General Fund revenues come from several sources. The two main sources are Sales Tax and Property Tax. However, there are other important revenue sources for the General Fund, such as the Real Property Transfer Tax and the Supplemental Building Construction and Improvement Tax.

<u>Sales Tax</u>. Sales Tax revenue continues to grow. Third quarter sales tax income was particularly strong, yielding the single largest quarterly increase in several years. Based on this information staff is revising estimated revenues for 1999-2000 to \$27.9 million as compared to the original estimate of \$27 million. While staff is raising the base to be used for the revised 2000-01 revenue estimate,

staff does not recommend changing the growth factor for 2000-01, which is 4%. Given recent economic news, which indicates a cooling off of the economy, staff believes that the original growth estimate is still appropriate. However, applying the growth factor to the new base results in a revenue estimate of approximately \$29.0 million which is an increase of about \$1.0 million over the original budget for 2000-01.

Property Tax. Property tax revenue is revised upward to \$15 million for 2000-01. This represents an increase of approximately \$700,000 (or about 5%) over the revised mid-year estimate for 1999-00. Based on data received from the County in April of this year, the estimate for property tax revenue for 1999-00 was increased to \$14.2 million. Then, based on the information received from the County as mentioned above, staff increased the growth factor for 2000-2001. Originally, a growth factor of 3% was used to estimate property tax revenue for 2000-2001. However, in light of the County's information, staff believes that a growth factor of 5% is more appropriate. Applying a growth factor of 5% to the revised revenue estimate for 1999-2000 results in the \$15 million estimate now being recommended to Council. The Bay Area and Hayward's active real estate markets continue to fuel assessed valuation, which is the basis for property tax revenue.

Other Revenues. Several other revenue sources are estimated to increase for the 2000-2001 budget. More specifically, the Real Property Transfer Tax is increased to \$3.7 million and the Motor Vehicle In-Lieu Tax is increased to \$6 million. These budgets are revised to reflect increases that are tied directly to the 1999-00 budget increases that were discussed at mid-year. Other revenues showing increases in budget for 2000-01 are Franchise Fees which are increased to \$4.5 million, Grants, POST Reimbursement and other revenues, which are increased to \$2.3 million, and Fees and Charges which are increased to \$1.9 million. These increases are based on revised budget estimates for 1999-00 and increased intergovernmental reimbursements.

The next revenue category to show a major change is the Supplemental Building Construction and Improvement Tax. This revenue has shown steady growth over the past few years with 1996-97 posting \$1.2 million, 1997-98, \$1.5 million, and 1998-99, \$2.8 million. However, currently, this revenue is not keeping pace with the budget. At this time staff is estimating this revenue at \$1.7 million for 1999-00. The reduction in revenue when compared to 1998-99 is primarily due to the completion of certain large residential projects in 1998-99 that will not occur in 1999-00, such as Twin Bridges. The budget for 2000-01 is \$2 million, a moderate increase over the estimated actual for 1999-00.

Other revenue categories that did not keep pace with budget, but show a general increase over actual revenues when compared to prior year, are Construction Permits and Miscellaneous Revenues. These budgets were reduced by about \$200,000 for Construction Permits and a like amount for Miscellaneous Revenues.

## Expenditures

Changes in expenditures are limited to a few areas, as described below.

Employee Services. Employee services are estimated at \$61.6 million. This represents an increase of \$2 million over the 2000-01 Proposed budget. Employee services have been affected, for the most part, by two factors: pay rate increases implemented in accord with current labor agreements and the difference in PERS retirement rates paid by the City. Fortunately, the earnings PERS has had in its investments resulted in a reduction in rates. This savings in payments to PERS helps to offset any pay rate increases. The new employee services figure reflects known pay rate increases, as well as estimated pay rate increases for groups that are currently negotiating or will soon be negotiating. Finally, as explained more fully in Attachment B, staff is recommending the addition of certain positions for 2000-2001.

Supplies and Services and Maintenance and Utilities. There are several minor changes recommended for these two categories and include both additions and reductions to expenditure appropriations. The single largest item is a correction to the Supplies and Services budget. More specifically, when preparing the 1999-2001 two-year budget, staff omitted from the 2000-2001 budget a continuing level of support, which was included in the 1999-2000 budget, for the Home Page program of \$40,000. In addition to this continuing funding level, the City's Council Technology Application Committee (CTAC) approved a motion to come forward to the full City Council requesting additional funds for 2000-2001. The CTAC at its May 10, 2000 meeting discussed the need for additional funding for Home Page development and Webmaster support. The CTAC agreed that an additional appropriation of \$50,000 would be sufficient and recommends this addition to the budget.

## **CONCLUSION**

The success of implementing a two-year budget is apparent as the proposed budget entertains only a few changes and has resulted in significant savings of City resources. Finally, the revised proposed 2000-01 budget presents a balanced plan of revenue and expenditures. It is requested that Council review and comment on the adjustments described in this report.

Jesús Armas City Manager

Attachment A:

Financial Overview - General Fund Revenues and Expenditures

Attachment B:

Summary of 2000-01 Major Budget Adjustments

## ATTACHMENT A

## CITY OF HAYWARD GENERAL FUND -- 2000-2001

		1999-2000 STIMATED BUDGET	PROPOSED REC		2000-2001 COMMENDED BUDGET	
ESTIMATED REVENUES						
TAXES	\$	51,650,000	\$ 52,091,000	\$	54,019,000	
FRANCHISES	*	4,438,750	4,196,000	Ť	4,477,600	
LICENSES & PERMITS		2,396,050	2,245,050		2,013,050	
INTEREST & RENTS		474,000	457,000		457,000	
FINES AND FORFEITURES		780,000	460,000		460,000	
FROM OTHER AGENCIES		7,955,672	7,361,594		8,386,186	
FEES & SVC CHARGES		1,876,704	1,895,220		1,933,313	
OTHER		2,458,466	2,380,387		2,179,239	
·		72,029,642	71,086,251		73,925,388	
TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND						
TOTAL-DETAIL ON NEXT PAGE		4,050,831	3,996,010		3,996,010	
DOWNTOWN REVITILIZATION RESERVE		100,000				
1999-00 RESERVE FOR EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT FUND					500,000	
1998-99 RESERVE FOR WEEKES BR.			500,000		500,000	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE	\$	76,180,473	\$ 75,582,261	\$	78,921,398	
EXPENDITURES						
EMPLOYEE SERVICES	\$	57,085,882	\$ 59,564,117	\$	61,564,633	
MAINT. & UTILITIES		3,687,060	3,659,567		3,661,701	
SUPPLIES & SERVICES		8,901,843	8,076,567		8,106,386	
CAPITAL EXPENSE		1,184,977	601,650		731,650	
NET INTERDEPT. CHRGS (CREDITS)		(2,769,599)	(2,809,301)		(2,758,900)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		68,090,163	69,092,600		71,305,470	
TRANSFERS FROM GENERAL FUND						
TOTAL-DETAIL ON NEXT PAGE		7,534,856	6,450,252		7,100,252	
TOTAL FUNDS REQUIRED		75,625,019	75,542,852		78,405,722	
EXCESS REVENUE (EXPENDITURE)		555,454	39,409		515,676	
BEGINNING FUND BALANCE		14,539,673	14,595,127		14,595,127	
SUBTOTAL		15,095,127	14,634,536		15,110,803	
LESS RESERVES USED 1999-2001, Equipment Mgmt Fund		500,000			<del></del>	
FUND BALANCE AVAILABLE	\$	14,595,127	\$ 14,634,536	\$	15,110,803	

#### **CITY OF HAYWARD**

TRANSFERS TO GENERAL FUND	1999-2000 ESTIMATED BUDGET		2000-2001 PROPOSED BUDGET		2000-2001 RECOMMENDED BUDGET	
Cost Allocation Trsf. From Special Gas Tax Citizens for Public Safety Grant Golf CoursePark-In-Lieu Law Enforcement Block Grant	\$	2,065,401 1,202,000 280,500 150,000 352,930 4,050,831	\$	2,065,401 1,214,000 279,000 150,000 287,609 3,996,010	\$	2,065,401 1,214,000 279,000 150,000 287,609 3,996,010
TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS						
Transfer to Capital Projects Liability Insurance Cost Allocation Trsf. To Centennial Hall Fund Capital Trsf to Transp. Sys Imp Capital Trsf to Street Lighting Capital Trsf. To Water (IAD LOAN) Capital Trsf. To Equip. Mgmt. Debt Service Transfers Weekes Library Branch Transfer Downtown Side Walk District Permit Surcharge Project Transfer Transfer to PERS Reserve	<b>\$</b>	860,000 811,006 297,000 350,000 320,000 71,000 370,000 3,055,850 100,000 300,000 1,000,000	\$	860,000 835,336 269,000 350,000 71,000 190,000 3,054,916 500,000	\$	860,000 835,336 269,000 500,000 320,000 71,000 690,000 3,054,916 500,000
	\$	7,534,856	\$	6,450,252	\$	7,100,252

## ATTACHMENT A,

City of Hayward General Fund Budgeted Fund Balances - 1999-2000 and 2000-2001

## **RESERVED FOR:**

	1999-2000 STIMATED BUDGET	F	2000-2001 PROPOSED BUDGET	2000-2001 COMMENDED BUDGET
Encumbrances PERS Reserve Inventory Advances	\$ 4,455,000 1,000,000 100,000 1,400,000	\$	4,545,000 1,000,000 100,000 1,400,000	\$ 4,545,000 1,000,000 100,000 1,400,000
	6,955,000		7,045,000	7,045,000
DESIGNATED FOR:				
Economic Uncertainty Liquidity Undesignated	5,000,000 2,500,000 640,127		5,000,000 2,500,000 89,536	 5,000,000 2,500,000 565,803
	 8,140,127		7,589,536	8,065,803
Fund Balance	15,095,127		14,634,536	15,110,803
Less Amounts to be Used 2000-2001 Equipment Management Fund Transfer	 500,000			 
Fund Balance Available	\$ 14,595,127	\$	14,634,536	\$ 15,110,803

## **GENERAL FUND REVENUE BY SOURCE**

	1999-2000 ESTIMATED BUDGET		2000-2001 PROPOSED BUDGET		2000-2001 RECOMMENDED BUDGET		
TAXES							
PROPERTY TAXES	\$	14,250,000	\$ 13,627,000	\$	14,962,000		
SALES TAXES		27,900,000	28,064,000		29,016,000		
BUSINESS TAX		1,500,000	1,500,000		1,500,000		
REAL PROPERTY TRANSFER TAX		3,500,000	2,900,000		3,741,000		
TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX		1,200,000	1,200,000		1,200,000		
SUPPLEMENTAL IMPROVEMENT TAX		1,700,000	3,200,000		2,000,000		
EMERGENCY FACILITES TAX		1,600,000	 1,600,000		1,600,000		
SUBTOTAL		51,650,000	52,091,000		54,019,000		
FRANCHISES							
OAKLAND SCAVENGER		1,709,600	1,650,000		1,709,600		
CABLE TV FRANCHISE		731,250	650,000		731,000		
PG& E		731,900	690,000		731,000		
WATER & SEWER FUND FRANCHISE		1,260,000	1,200,000		1,300,000		
METRICOM		6,000	 6,000		6,000		
SUBTOTAL		4,438,750	4,196,000		4,477,600		
LICENSES & PERMITS							
CONSTRUCTION PERMITS		1,754,000	1,600,000		1,368,000		
HAZARDOUS PERMITS		370,000	370,000		370,000		
OTHER		272,050	 275,050		275,050		
SUBTOTAL		2,396,050	2,245,050		2,013,050		
INTEREST & RENTS							
INTEREST EARNED		474,000	 457,000		457,000		
SUBTOTAL		474,000	457,000		457,000		
FINES & FORFEITURES							
LIBRARY FINES & FEES		60,000	60,000		60,000		
OTHER		720,000	 400,000		400,000		
SUBTOTAL		780,000	460,000		460,000		

## **GENERAL FUND REVENUE BY SOURCE**

	1999-2000 ESTIMATED BUDGET	2000-2001 PROPOSED BUDGET	2000-2001 RECOMMENDED BUDGET
FROM OTHER AGENCIES			
MOTOR VEHICLE IN-LIEU	6,175,000	5,410,590	6,022,715
POST REIMBURSEMENT	60,000	60,000	60,000
GRANTS	753,816	508,816	315,983
OTHER	966,856	1,382,188	1,987,488
SUBTOTAL	7,955,672	7,361,594	8,386,186
FEES & SERVICE CHARGES			
POLICE CHARGES	516,440	531,920	531,920
PLAN CHECKING FEES	497,200	497,200	605,293
FIRE SERVICE FEES	145,000	145,000	145,000
WEED ABATEMENT COLLECTIONS	175,000	175,000	175,000
RENTAL UNIT ORDINANCE	42,900	42,900	42,900
APT. HOUSE INSPECTIONS	178,000	178,000	178,000
OTHER	322,164	325,200	255,200
SUBTOTAL	1,876,704	1,895,220	1,933,313
OTHER REVENUE			
WORKERS COMP. INS. FUND	600,000	618,000	618,000
OTHER	1,858,466	1,762,387	1,561,239
SUBTOTAL	2,458,466	2,380,387	2,179,239
TOTAL	\$ 72,029,642	\$ 71,086,251	\$ 73,925,388

## **SUMMARY OF 2000-2001 MAJOR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

#### GENERAL FUND

#### □ Employee Services Category:

#### Addition of one Permit Technician to staff the Permit Center.

This position is added for one year to address the increased demand for services related to development activity and to support the implementation of the new permit processing computer tracking system. The cost of this position, with benefits, is approximately \$74,000 per year. Related development revenue should offset most of, if not all of this cost.

#### Addition of Three Animal Care Attendants.

Three new Animal Attendant positions are being requested for the Animal Shelter. The City recently entered into a contact to provide animal shelter services to the City of San Leandro. Revenues from this contract will fund two of the new positions. The third new position will be funded from grant revenues and the deletion of a ½ time Police Records Clerk. As a result of the City of San Leandro contract, grant funding and the position reduction, there will be no net additional cost to the General Fund for the new positions.

## Addition of Administrative Analyst Position/Deletion of Purchasing Assistant Position.

An Administrative Analyst position is requested for the Finance and Internal Services Department. This new position will support the Building Management and Finance and Administration divisions, including the Budget function. In addition, the Department is recommending the deletion of a Purchasing Assistant position as the result of reorganization. The net result of these recommendations is no net additional cost to the General Fund.

## □ Capital Expense

## **Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus.**

Staff is recommending that this category be increased by \$130,000. The additional funding will be used to purchase self-contained breathing apparatus for the Fire Department. This equipment was scheduled for replacement over a three-year period. However, by augmenting funds already budgeted staff will be able to realize cost savings and replace equipment that has reached the end of its useful life.

#### OTHER FUNDS

## □ Water and Wastewater (sewer) Funds Master Plan Updates

In reviewing the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program Budget for this year staff noted that two master plan updates were budgeted. One of the updates is for the Water Fund and the other is for the Wastewater Fund. Staff believes the updates should be budgeted in the respective operating budgets rather than the CIP Budget. Consequently, staff is recommending that the studies be removed from the Five-Year CIP and budgeted for in the operating funds. The Five Year CIP which was reviewed by Council at the May 23, 2000 Work Session reflects this change. The cost associated with the Water Fund study is \$90,000 and for the Wastewater Fund study \$165,000.



## CITY OF HAYWARD AGENDA REPORT

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INS #Zb WORK SESSION ITEM

TO:

Mayor and City Council

FROM:

Acting Finance and Internal Services Director

**SUBJECT:** Master Fee Schedule For 2000-2001

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council review and comment on the following report.

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Each year, staff reviews the Master Fee Schedule to ensure that the various fees and service charges are appropriate and within State Guidelines. A detailed review and analysis of the Master Fee Schedule was performed in conjunction with the two-year budget for 1999-2001. One of the benefits of that study, with respect to the 2000-2001 budget, is that only a few changes are being recommended. More specifically, staff is recommending changes in only two areas, which are routine CPI adjustments to assessment district administration fees and five new Planning Inspection Fees.

The recommendations contained in this document have been developed pursuant to applicable Government Codes and the City's fee recovery policy. For ease of reference, the Summary of Proposed Changes, which follows, summarizes the proposed changes to the Master Fee Schedule. The summary gives a brief description of the current fee, proposed fee, cost recovery amount and the average of what other cities charge for a similar service, where applicable.

With respect to the Summary of Proposed Changes, the Current Fee column of the schedule represents the amount adopted by Council. The Proposed Fee column is staff's recommendation. The Cost Recovery column is the total of direct and indirect costs of providing the service. The Other Agencies Column is an average of what the City of Oakland, City of San Leandro and City of Berkeley charge for a similar service.

Assessment District Fees. There are three fees that the City charges to assessment districts for administration services performed by the City. The Master Fee Schedule provides for an adjustment of these fees annually to reflect changes in the San Francisco Bay Area Consumer

Price Index. The change for this year is 4.2%. The Summary of Proposed Changes, which follows, indicates the recommended changes.

<u>Planning Inspection Fees.</u> Currently, the City does not charge an inspection fee to recover costs associated with the on-site inspection of landscaping and irrigation installed in conjunction with an approved development project. The recommended new fees will provide for the recovery of these inspection costs and are noted in the Summary of Proposed Changes. Staff estimates that the proposed new fees, if adopted, will generate revenue of approximately \$26,000 per year.

<u>Future Issues</u>. Staff would like to take this opportunity to alert the Council to an issue that will be included in the next two year budget, 2001-03. In particular, several jurisdictions rely on the California Building Code to set Building Permit Fees. The California Building Code establishes a table of construction values, which forms the basis for setting the building permit fees. The table is updated on a regular basis and provides for an objective and widely recognized standard for establishing the value of construction. The City currently maintains its own schedule. Staff believes that adopting the California Building Code fee structure will place the City on a more equal footing with other jurisdictions and provide for an up to date fee schedule. Staff plans to bring this recommendation to Council as part of the next two-year budget cycle.

A complete copy of the current Master Fee Schedule is on file in the City Clerk's Office. The current Master Fee Schedule has all changes adopted by the Council during the current fiscal year, including cost of living adjustments to certain fees provided for by earlier Council action.

#### SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES

Fee Description:	Current Fee:	Proposed Fee:	Cost Recovery:	Other Agencies
Assessment District Fees:				
Establishment Fee	\$2,420.00	\$2,522.00	N/A	N/A
Administration Fee	\$2,303.00	\$2,400.00	N/A	N/A
Bond Call Fee	\$ 232.00	\$ 242.00	N/A	N/A
Planning Inspection Fee:				
Residential Subdivisions and Multi-Family Development	New	\$ 162.00	\$ 162.00	\$85,00 per hour
Commercial/Industrial Development	New	\$ 108.00	\$ 108.00	\$85.00 per hour
Hillside Single-Family Dwellings	New	\$ 54.00	\$ 54.00	\$125.00
Miscellaneous	New	\$ 54.00	\$ 54.00	Various
Re-inspection	New	\$ 54.00	\$ 54.00	\$85.00 per hour

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